

# **Abraham L. Brick papers**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Brick, Abraham Lincoln, 1860-1908
<b>Title</b>	Abraham L. Brick papers
<b>Date</b>	1850-1950
<b>Extent</b>	5.0 Cubic feet 9 manuscript boxes; 1 medium oversize box
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Abraham Lincoln Brick was born May 27, 1860 in St. Joseph County, Indiana to William W. and Elizabeth (Calvert) Brick. He was one of at least nine children. He attended Yale and Cornell Universities and was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1883. He married Anna Elizabeth Meyer on November 11, 1884 in St. Joseph County, and they had two children, William Meyer, who was born August 4, 1888 and died February 9, 1889 of uremic poisoning, and Estelle, who was born January 1, 1890 and died during January 1951; who edited two books of his speeches and letters. He was a member of the law department faculty of the University of Notre Dame from which he received the LL.B. and M.L. degrees. He practiced law in South Bend, Indiana in 1883 and was the prosecuting attorney for St. Joseph and La Porte Counties in 1886. He was a member of the Republican State Central Committee in 1890; a delegate to the Republic National Convention in 1896, and congressman for the 13th Indiana district from 1899-1908. He visited the Panama Canal during his tenure on the Appropriations Committee in 1907. He died April 7, 1908 in Indianapolis, Indiana and is buried in the Riverview Cemetery, South Bend, Indiana.

Information found within the collection and executive file.

"Brick, Abraham". 1870 United States Federal Census. Retrieved 2015/04/24. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

"Brick, Abraham L.". Indiana, Marriage Collection, 1800-1941. Retrieved 2015/04/24. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

"Brick, Abraham Lincoln". Find a Grave Memorial. Retrieved 2015/04/24. <http://www.findagrave.com>

"Brick, Abraham Lincoln". (1974) In Indiana Authors and their books, 1917-1966. (p. 76). Crawfordsville, IN: Wabash College. Print. ISLI 016.810 B219I SUPP. 1917-1966

"Brick, Abraham Lincoln". Indiana Biography Index published before 1990. Retrieved 2015/04/24. <https://www.statelib.lib.in.us/INBiopre1990>

"Brick. S. [A.] Lincolen". 1860 United States Federal Census. Retrieved 2015/04/24. <http://search.ancestrylibrary.com>

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes typed, autographed correspondence from Abraham L. Brick and others in Indiana and Washington, D.C. from 1850-1950 regarding personal and business matters; invitations to social events ranging from 1884-1901 regarding presidential and congressional events; photographs and

tintypes of family, public events and places, including the Panama Canal, from 1866-1907 and undated; scrapbooks, diaries, and expense accounts.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged in the following series:

Series 1: Papers, 1850-1932, undated

Series 2: Diaries and scrapbooks, 1857-1884, undated

Series 3: Photographs, circa 1866-1944, undated

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

### Conditions Governing Use

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### Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation. The record book of Abraham L. Brick's library was a donation from the Willard Library, Evansville, Indiana on 2005/03/16.

### Accruals

No further additions are expected.

## Processing Information

Collection processing completed 1998 by Andrea B. Hough; revised 2005/03 by Elizabeth Wilkinson.  
EAD finding aid created 2015/04/24 by Edythe Huffman.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Geographic Name(s)

- Indianapolis (Ind.)
- South Bend (Ind.)
- Washington D.C.

### Personal Name(s)

- Brick, Estelle, 1890-
- Brick, William W., 1808-1882

### Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Diaries
- Europe--Description and travel--20th century
- Financial statements
- Hawaii--Description and travel--20th century
- Indiana--Politics and government--19th century
- Indiana--Politics and government--20th century
- Panama Canal Zone--Photographs--20th century
- Photographs
- Tintype

## Series 1: Papers, 1850-1932, undated

## Collection Inventory

Series 1: Papers, 1850-1932, undated		
	Box	Folder
Correspondence, 1850-1855	1	1
Correspondence, 1856	1	2
Correspondence, 1857-1880	1	3
Correspondence, 1881-1883	1	4
Calling cards and invitations correspondence, 1884-1898	1	5
Correspondence, 1900	1	6
Correspondence, 1901	1	7
Correspondence, 1902	1	8
Correspondence, 1903	1	9
Invitations and correspondence, 1904	1	10
Correspondence, 1905	1	11

## Series 1: Papers, 1850-1932, undated

Ephemera and correspondence, 1906 January-1906 April	2	1
Calling cards and correspondence, 1906 May-1906 December	2	2
Correspondence, 1907 January-1907 May	2	3
Correspondence, 1907 June-1907 December	2	4
Correspondence, 1908 January-1908 March	2	5
Correspondence, 1908/04/01-1908/04/15	2	6
Correspondence, 1908/04/15-1908 December	2	7
Correspondence, 1909-1910	3	1
Correspondence, 1912-1915	3	2
Correspondence, 1916-1926	3	3
Correspondence, 1930	3	4
Correspondence, 1931-1939	3	5
Correspondence, 1940-1950	3	6
Correspondence, undated	3	7



## Series 1: Papers, 1850-1932, undated

Speeches, 1890-1894	4	1
Speeches, 1896-1899	4	2
Speeches, 1900-1901	4	3
Speeches, 1902	4	4
Speeches, 1904-1905	4	5
Speeches, 1906-1907	4	6
Speeches, undated	4	7
Speeches, undated	4	8
Household finances, 1893-1906	5	1
Clippings, 1906	5	2
Panama Canal documents, 1909	5	3
Panama Canal clippings, 1907	5	4
Panama Canal documents, 1906-1907	5	5
Miscellaneous materials, 1892-1932	5	6

**Series 2: Diaries and scrapbooks, 1857-1884, undated**


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Miscellaneous materials, undated	5	7
Religious cards, undated	6	1
Invitations and calling cards, undated	6	2
Invitations and calling cards, undated	6	3
Calligraphy, undated	6	4
Christmas cards, undated	6	5
<b>Series 2: Diaries and scrapbooks, 1857-1884, undated</b>		

	<b>Box</b>	<b>Object</b>
"Holy Bible" family bible, 1857	7	1
"W.W. Brick" autobiography, 1876-1882	7	2
Expenses, 1882	7	3
Expenses, 1883	7	4
Anna Brick engagements documents, 1901-1908	7	5
"59th Congress, Vest Pocket Directory" book, 1907	7	6

## Series 3: Photographs, circa 1866-1944, undated

"Life of Abraham Lincoln Brick" book, circa 1908	7	7
"Hawaii and Europe, Book I (Estelle Brick)" travel diaries, 1907 and 1911	7	8
"Europe (Estelle Brick)" travel itinerary, 1909	7	9
"Europe, Book II (Estelle Brick)" travel diary, 1911	7	10
"Europe, Book III (Estelle Brick)" travel diary, 1911	7	11
Roster, undated	7	12
Abraham L. Brick library record book, 1909	9	1
Scrapbook, undated	9	2
Scrapbook, 1884	10	1
<b>Series 3: Photographs, circa 1866-1944, undated</b>		
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Object</b>
Photograph album, 1906-1944	8	1
Mrs. William Brick tintype, circa 1860-1880	8	2
Mr. and Mrs. William Brick tintype, circa 1860-1880	8	3
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>

**Series 3: Photographs, circa 1866-1944, undated**


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Family photographs, circa 1866-1888, undated	8	1
Mounted family photographs, undated	8	2
Panama Canal photographs, 1907 (folder 1 of 2)	8	3
Panama Canal photographs, 1907 (folder 2 of 2)	8	4
Panama Canal Congressional Committee photograph, 1907 October	10	1
"Rob Roy" photograph booklet, 1944	8	5